



**The International Forum for Democratic Studies  
at the National Endowment for Democracy**

*invites you to a roundtable discussion on*

**The Anglo-American Tradition of Liberty: A View from  
Europe**

*featuring*

**João Carlos Espada**

Institute of Political Studies, Catholic University of Portugal  
President, Churchill Society of Portugal

*moderated by*

**Marc F. Plattner**

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**12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

*(lunch served from 12pm to 12:30pm)*

1025 F Street NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20004

[RSVP \(acceptances only\)](#) with name and affiliation by **Tuesday, October 25.**

Please join us for a discussion with Professor João Carlos Espada, who will speak about his new book *The Anglo-American Tradition of Liberty: A View from Europe*. In it he provides an overview of a varied collection of Anglo-American and European thinkers, ranging from Burke, Tocqueville, and Madison to Karl Popper, Isaiah Berlin, Leo Strauss, and Winston Churchill. Professor Espada argues that a distinctive Anglo-American tradition of liberty has been vital to the global success of liberal democracy. He also will discuss how the contrasting Anglo-American and Continental traditions influence politics in Europe today.

**João Carlos Espada** is the director and founder of the Institute of Political Studies at the Catholic University of Portugal, where he also serves as professor of political studies. He earned his DPhil from the University of Oxford, and has taught at Brown, Stanford, and Georgetown Universities. From 2011 until 2014, he held the European Parliament / Bronislaw Geremek European Civilisation Chair at the College of Europe in Warsaw. He has served as political advisor to two Portuguese presidents, Mário Soares (1986–1990) and Aníbal Cavaco Silva (2006–2011). Prof. Espada is the editor of the quarterly journal *Nova Cidania* and a member of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Democracy*.